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PREFACE

The Statistical Abstract of the United States, published annually since 1878, is the standard summary of statistics on the social, political, and economic organization of the United States. It is designed to fulfill two functions: First, to serve as a convenient volume for statistical reference; and second, to serve as a guide to other statistical publications and sources. The latter function is served by the introductory text to each section, the source notes appearing below each table, and the Bibliography of Sources (page 957).

This volume includes a selection of data from many important statistical publications, both governmental and private. The publications cited as sources usually contain additional statistical detail and a more complete discussion of relevant definitions and concepts than can be presented here. Where contributing agencies are cited as sources, without mention of publications, more detailed information frequently is available from their unpublished tabulations and records.

Emphasis in the Statistical Abstract is given primarily to national data. Data for regions and individual States are presented to a lesser extent. Statistics for outlying areas of the United States are included in the State tables whenever available and supplemented by specialized information for these areas in section 33. Statistics for cities or other relatively small geographic units appear only in a few instances.

Wherever possible, statistics shown for the United States represent the 50 States and the District of Columbia. Figures for Alaska and Hawaii are presented separately in State tables, and are also included in United States summary tables, whenever such figures are available. Statements specifying inclusion or exclusion of the figures for Alaska and Hawaii appear in the headnotes to each table unless the inclusion or exclusion is self-evident. Data for Alaska and Hawaii are no longer presented in section 33, "Outlying Areas. . . ."

Changes in the 1961 edition.—This edition, the 82d annual issue, presents data for the most recent year or period available during the early part of 1961.

Each year, in addition to the normal bringing up to date of the over 1,200 tables and charts included, new tables of current interest are introduced. Data that are less timely are eliminated and format and text changes are made where considered advisable.

Special efforts were made in this edition to include new data from the 1960 Censuses of Population and Housing and the 1959 Census of Agriculture insofar as they were available by printing time. The sections thereby affected were Population, Construction and Housing, Agriculture (both sections), and Irrigation and Drainage. A more complete selection of statistics from decennial census reports covering these and other subjects will appear in the 1962 edition of the Abstract.

Some changes were also introduced in the Distribution and Services section and the Manufactures section as a result of the availability of final figures from the 1958 Censuses of Business and Manufactures and Mineral Industries.

The presentation of data on public welfare subjects was significantly increased by additions to the health and medical care subsections and to the Education, Social Insurance, and Prices sections. Eight new tables were added to the medical care group—five from the National Health Survey, showing information on dental visits, prevalence of acute and chronic conditions, utilization of health services, and persons requiring home care; two from the Bureau of Old-Age and Survivors Insurance, presenting data on medical care costs for the aged and how these costs are met; and one from the Bureau of Labor Statistics showing indexes of medical care prices. Six new tables were added to the Education section showing annual and lifetime income

by years of school completed, school enrollment projections, and early employment experience of school-leavers. The Social Insurance section includes five new tables on average payments to beneficiaries under social security programs, contribution rates of employees and employers, corporate contributions to employee benefit plans, and expenditures and grants of private foundations. Two new tables in the Prices section show annual costs of a city worker's family budget and a retired couple's budget.

The scientific research and development material was revised and several tables were added, including data on basic research and transfer of research and development funds among sectors of the economy. Several new tables were also introduced in the Construction and Housing section, including expenditures for residential alterations and repairs and a summary of the urban renewal program and the urban planning assistance program.

Following is a list of some of the subjects covered by the 66 new tables:

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Among the tables shown in the last edition, 49 were omitted from this issue. Major omissions occurred in the Population section affecting population estimates and characteristics data not yet adjusted to the 1960 Census figures or not yet available from the 1960 Census, such as citizenship, nativity, and mobility status; in the Social Insurance and Welfare Services section affecting financial characteristics of old-age and survivors insurance beneficiaries, unemployment insurance coverage by industry, activities of public employment offices, and expenditures of religious and private welfare organizations; in the Agriculture—General Statistics section affecting data on mortgaged farms and a special study on farm expenditures; in the section on Construction and Housing involving primarily statistics from the 1956 National Housing Inventory; and in the section on Outlying Areas Under the Jurisdiction of the United States affecting data for Alaska and Hawaii, most of which have been included in the State tables in other sections.

Supplements to the Abstract.—The Statistical Abstract, as an annual one-volume publication, is of necessity limited in amount of detail shown. To meet the need for more detailed information for small areas (cities, counties, metropolitan areas, and others) and for more historical data, a series of supplements to the Abstract has been issued.

The Congressional District Data Book (Districts of the 87th Congress), issued in June 1961, is the first report of its type to be published by the Bureau of the Census. Based primarily on data from the most recent censuses, it presents 135 items on population, housing, and elections for all 437 congressional districts as constituted in 1960; 72 similar items pertaining to nonwhite population for selected districts; and 125 items on economic subjects for the 297 districts whose boundaries follow county lines.

Preface v

This report is on sale by the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D.C., for \$1.00 per copy (soft cover).

Historical Statistics of the United States, Colonial Times to 1957, is a completely revised and expanded version of Historical Statistics of the United States, 1789–1945, which was issued in 1949. Compiled by the Bureau of the Census with the cooperation of the Social Science Research Council, this supplement presents in compact and convenient form more than 8,000 statistical time series (mostly on an annual basis) which cover periods from 1610 to 1957. The new volume includes historical data on every major aspect of the nation's social and economic development and consists of 24 chapters and 51 sections. The statistics are accompanied by text notes which specify the sources of the data, include references to other sources, discuss the historical development of the data and evaluate their reliability, and present definitions of technical terms. Also included is a separate chapter on colonial statistics and a 15-page subject index.

The volume is on sale by the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D.C., for \$6.00 per copy (buckram).

The County and City Data Book, 1956, is designed to help satisfy the need for statistical information about counties and cities and other relatively small geographic areas. Conveniently assembled are 133 statistical items for each county in the United States and 130 statistical items for each of the 484 cities having 25,000 inhabitants or more in 1950. Information comparable to that for counties is also presented for geographic regions and divisions, States, and standard metropolitan areas. Also included are descriptive text and source notes.

This edition is the fifth in the County and City Data Book series. Many of the statistics in this volume were obtained from the results of the 1954 Censuses of Agriculture, Business, and Manufactures. Other subjects covered include births, deaths, and marriages; population characteristics; dwelling units; city government finances and employment; hospitals; bank deposits; and other items of social and economic importance. This volume is on sale by the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D.C., for \$4.50 (buckram).

Responsibility.—The contents of this volume are taken from a large number of sources (see Source Agencies and Table Numbers, pp. 953-956). The Bureau of the Census cannot accept the responsibility for the accuracy or limitations of the data presented here, other than for those which it collects. However, the responsibility for selection of the material and for proper presentation rests with the Bureau.

SUGGESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Many persons have written offering suggestions for improving the presentation of the material. These letters have been most helpful and users are urged to continue to make their needs known. All suggestions will be carefully considered in planning future editions. Suggestions and comments should be sent to the Director, Bureau of the Census, Washington 25, D.C.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON DATA PRESENTED

write to the agency indicated in the source note to the table which covers the desired subject.

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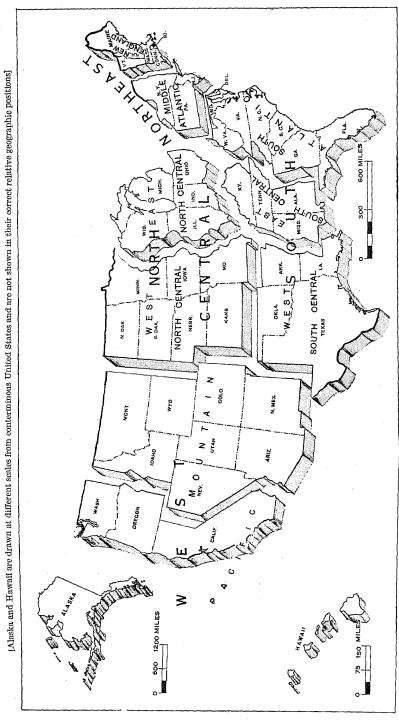
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